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Applicant : PEREZ GOMARIZ, et al
Application No. : 10/090,109
Filing Date : March 4, 2002
Examiner : Frank Lu
Art Unit : 1634
For : METHOD FOR TREATING AND PREVENTING SEPTIC SHOCK WITH VPAC1R, VPAC2R AND PAC1R AGONISTS

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - GROUP ART UNIT 2121 AND
REQUEST FOR TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME AND RCE**

Sir:

Applicants hereby request, under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), a two (2) month extension of time within which to respond to the outstanding final Official Action dated June 22, 2004; that is, up to and including November 22, 2004.

For this purpose, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 14-1431 in the amount of **\$430.00** for the official fee, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) in addition to the fee of **\$790.00** for filing the attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE). The Commissioner is further authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 14-1431 for any additional fees which may be due under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17.

In further response to the final Official Action dated June 22, 2004, please amend the above-identified application, as follows: